

## Flu Watch

MMWR Week 22: May 27 to June 2, 2018

All data are provisional and subject to change as more reports are received.

### **Geographic Spread**



South Carolina reported **sporadic activity** this week.



# Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations and Deaths

A total of **5** influenza-associated hospitalizations were reported by 21 hospitals. The cumulative hospitalization rate is **90.6** per 100,000. There was **0** laboratory-confirmed influenza-associated death reported this week. The cumulative mortality rate is **5.5** per 100,000. Compared to the previous week, the number of reported hospitalizations **increased** by **2** (**66.7%**) and number of reported deaths **remained the same**. In the current flu season, there have been **4,497** influenza-associated hospitalizations and **272** influenza-associated deaths reported.



### **Virologic Surveillance**

A total of **55** influenza cases (**52** positive rapid antigen detection tests; **3** lab-confirmed tests) were reported from 13 counties representing all four DHEC Public Health regions. Influenza B was most frequently reported by clinical labs. Compared to the previous week, this is a **decrease** of **51** cases (**48.1%**). In the current flu season, there have been **135,289** influenza cases (**131,724** positive rapid antigen detection tests; **3,565** lab-confirmed tests) reported.

For a description of South Carolina's influenza surveillance components and definitions go to: <a href="http://www.scdhec.gov/Health/DiseasesandConditions/InfectiousDiseases/Flu/FluData/">http://www.scdhec.gov/Health/DiseasesandConditions/InfectiousDiseases/Flu/FluData/</a>

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### **Influenza-Like Illness Surveillance**

The percent of patient visits to sentinel providers for an influenza-like illness (ILI) was **0.85%**, which is **below** South Carolina's baseline (**3.13%**). Compared to the previous week, this is a **decrease** of **0.04%**.

The ILI activity level was minimal.

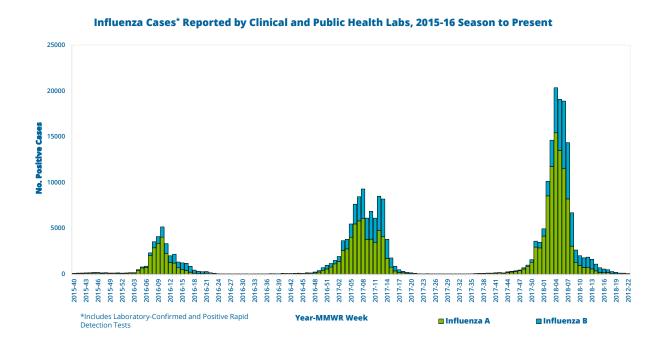
For national surveillance, please visit: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/">https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/</a>



# **Virologic Surveillance**

This week, **3** lab-confirmed cases and **52** positive rapid influenza detection tests were reported by clinical labs.

**Influenza B** was most frequently reported by clinical labs.



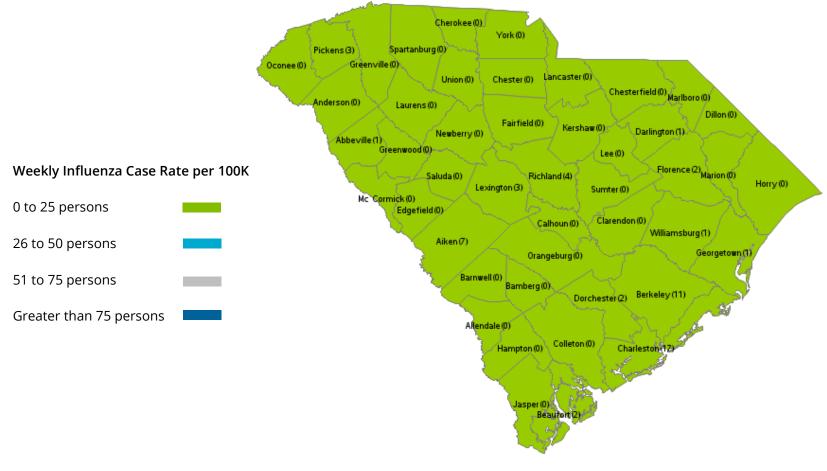
### Influenza Cases Reported by Public Health and Clinical Labs, This Week and Season Total

Influenza Type	Public	c Health Lab	CI	inical Labs	Total		
	This Week	Season Total	This Week	Season Total	This Week	Season Total	
Overall	0	233	55	135056	55	135289	
Influenza A	0	173 (74.2%)	13 (23.6%)	91123 (67.5%)	13 (23.6%)	91296 (67.5%)	
A (H3)		131 (75.7%)		390 (0.4%)		521 (0.4%)	
A (H1N1)		42 (24.3%)		169 (0.2%)		211 (0.2%)	
A (not subtyped)			13 (100%) 9		13 (100%)	90564 (99.4%)	
Influenza B	0	60 (25.8%)	42 (76.4%)	43418 (32.1%)	42 (76.4%)	43478 (32.1%)	
B (Victoria)		2 (3.4%)				2 (0.0%)	
B (Yamagata)		53 (88.3%)				53 (0.1%)	
B (lineage not performed)		5 (8.3%)	42 (100%)	43418 (100%)	42 (100%)	43423 (99.9%)	
Influenza (not typed)			0	515 (0.4%)	0	515 (0.4%)	



# **Virologic Surveillance**

Map of Influenza Cases (n)\* and Influenza Case Rate/100,000 By County For Week Ending 6/2/2018



\*Includes all lab-confirmed and positive rapid cases

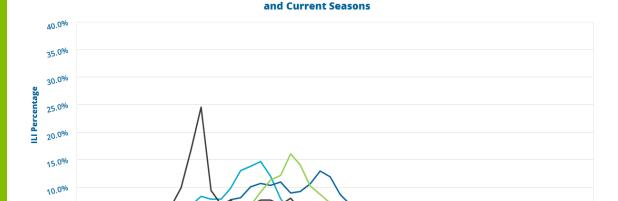


# Influenza-Like Illness Surveillance

This week, the ILI activity level was **minimal** and **0.85%** of patient visits to SC ILINet providers was attributed to an influenza-like illness. This is **below** the state baseline, **3.13%**.

Reports were received from providers in 6 counties, representing all 4 DHEC Public Health regions.

\*\*ILI percentage is dependent upon the number of reporting providers and/or can vary by disease activity or the number of providers submitting reports.\*\*



**MMWR Week** 

Percentage of Influenza-like Illness (ILI) Visits Reported by Sentinel Providers for Past

# County ILI Percent Pickens Greenvilla Spartanburg Cherokee York Union Chester Laurens Fairfield Kershaw Darlington Dillon Richland Sumter Florence Marion Horry Edgefield Calhoun Clarendon Williamsburg Georgetower Allendale Hampton Colleton Charleston Above State Baseline Above State Baseline Above State Baseline

# State ILI Activity Level 2017-18 Calendar by Week of the Year

**—** 2014-15

2013-14

Baseline

OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	<b>APR</b>	MAY	JUN	JUL	<b>AUG</b>	SEP
40	44	48	1	5	9	14	18	22			
41	45	49	2	6	10	15	19				
42	46	50	3	7	11	16	20				
43	47	51	4	8	12	17	21				
	<b>52</b>			13							

ILI ACTIVITY LEVELS: MINIMAL LOW MODERATE HIGH

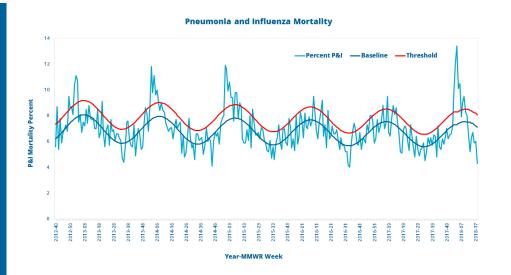
5.0%



# Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations And Deaths

Age	Hospitalizations			Deaths			
Group							
	This Week	Rate per	Season	This Week	Rate per	Season	
		100, 000	Total		100, 000	Total	
0 to 4	0	54.2	159		1.0	3	
5 to 17	0	17.5	141				
18 to 49	0	29.2	584		1.3	27	
50 to 64	2	115.8	1054		5.0	46	
65 & older	3	405.0	2559		31.0	196	
Total	5	90.6	4497		5.5	272	

The percentage of deaths attributed to pneumonia and influenza was 4.3%. This is **below** the epidemic threshold for the week ending May 5, 2018.



### Reported Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations by Age Group, 2015-16 Season to Present

